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The Official Newsletter of the Kingdom of the Outlands.

Outlandish Herald Submission Guidelines

Listed below you will find the requirements that have been set forth for Outlands Event Announcements. Additional information is as follows:

* **ALL event announcements must be submitted electronically.** Event announcements not sent electronically will not be accepted for publication.
* Please do not use any special formatting or fonts when submitting event announcements.
* The Chronicler reserves the right to edit for content, length and formatting.

Please note that those items listed as "Mandatory" must be present in the appropriate event announcement.

Mandatory in ALL Event Announcements:

- Name of the Event
- Sponsoring Group
- Event Date(s)
- Mundane name of site and address of site, including ZIP code
- Contact Information for the Autocrat
- Contact Information for Reservations (if being taken, including deadlines)
- Contact Information for additional organizers (Crash, fighting, etc.)
- All associated costs (site, feast, discounts, etc.)
- Who to make checks payable to

Mandatory in ALL FINAL Event Announcements:

- All items from mandatory event announcement section
- Contact Information for Head Cook (If serving food)
- Site Open and Close times
- Alcohol Status (Wet, dry, discreetly wet, etc.)
- Directions to site (include distances, street names, etc.)
- Do NOT assume signs will always be visible!
- All associated costs (site, feast, discounts, etc.)

Optional, but highly recommended announcements:

- A map to the site
- Schedule of events
- Feast menu (if feast is provided)
- Other pertinent site information (pet restrictions, water availability, etc.)

Contact information for autocrats as mentioned above is: SCA Name, Mundane Name, address, phone number with area code, and an e-mail address if one is available. Contact Information for other coordinators as mentioned above is: SCA Name, Mundane Name, phone number with area code, and an e-mail address if one is available.

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Deadline for publication in the Outlandish Herald is the 1st of the Month prior to publication, i.e., articles for the April OH are due to the Chronicler March 1st.

If you have any questions, comments or suggestions, please contact the Chronicler directly.

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For more information about the Outlands, visit the following web sites:

www.sca.org www.outlands.org

Calendar of Events and Royal Progress

March 2005

◉	○	5-6	**Outlands Crown Tourney (Fontaine) Evenora 505-320-1986**
		14-20	*Gulf Wars XIV, Kingdom of Meridies*
		26	**Luci' of Heroes (Unser Hafen) Juliana 970-581-9118**
		26	**Sworded Affiar (al-Barran) Rudger 505-259-0645**

April 2005

		1-3	Carnivale (Caer Galen) Frederigo 303-776-1984
		2-3	**Feathers in the Glen (Gleann Medonach) Cormic 505-317-6789**
		2	**A Fool's Tourney (White Mountain) Elspeth 505-437-0832**
		2	Feast of Fools (Tyger's Keep) Angharad 719-339-6319
◉	○	9	**Kingdom Arts & Sciences (Scorpian's Hollow) Margaret 505-784-8172**
		30	**April Moos (Bofarrach) Theresa 720-810-1502**

May 2005

		1	Happy New Year! Anno Societatus XL
		1	May Day (Caer Galen) Carina 303-766-1165
		7	**Mountain Mayhem (Canton of Bloodstone Keep) Sterling 303-703-8476**
◉	○	14-15	Outlands Coronation - Location To Be Announced
		19-22	Quest for Camelot VII, Kingdom of Northshield
		25-30	Grand Outlandish (al-Barran) Jochen 505-565-1267
		27-30	**Crossroads VII (Hawks Hollow) Stasia 303-424-5577**

June 2005

		4	Unser Hafen Champions (Unser Hafen) Cugan 970-395-0067
		18	Mavis Prize Tourney IV (Plattefordham) Mavis 307-237-1795

July 2005

		1 - 5	Glory VIII (Unser Hafen) Deotrich 970-669-3835
		2-5	*Known World Dance Symposium, Kingdom of Lochac*
		15-17	Archery Extravaganza (Scorpian's Hollow) Airt 505-985-0062
		21-24	Lonely Mountain Defender (Drygestan) Santiago 505-986-0998

August 2005

		12 - 14	St Sebastian's (Hawks Hollow) Cecelia 303-433-0132
		26 - 28	Here There be Dragons (Plattefordham) Balthazar / Eban 307-436-5622

September 2005

		2-5	Silver Pass X (Rio de las Animas) Branyrd 970-385-0602
		30	*Known World Animal Symposium, Kingdom of the Middle*

Calendar Guide:
Bold means this issue has an article for this event. *Italic* means the event in another Kingdom.
◉ His Majesty plans to attend. ○ Her Majesty plans to attend.

A Missive The Kingdom Seneschal

Let all of the realm of the Outlands and across the SCA whatever their degree know that Doug Heyns is banished from Our and any other realm. This is a level three banishment in accordance with the Laws of the Society for Creative Anachronism. This action is pending review by the Board of Directors and has been requested for a lifetime banishment from the society and a denial of membership. If this person is seen at SCA functions and/or activities he should be asked to leave and not return.

Mistress Leah de Montgomerie
Kingdom Seneschal

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Lord Boleslav Ragnarsson

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Sir Mavrikii

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THL Zachariah de Kane

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THL Sevilla de Cordova

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Countess Rosalind

The Kingdom of Lochac is happy to announce:

THE KNOWN WORLD DANCE SYMPOSIUM (KWDS) 5

Master Delbert von Strassburg
Seneschal, Kingdom of Lochac
Society for Creative Anachronism Australia

The Known World Dance and Music Symposium (KWDS or KWDMS) is the SCA's primary biennial dance and music event. This is the fifth KWDS to be held – previous KWDS/KWDMS events have been held in New Orleans LA, St Louis MO, Boston MA, and Dallas/Fort Worth TX.

KWDS covers the period in history from c. 1450 (and earlier) through to 1650 or thereabouts.

Music styles covered follow the same time period, with a focus on secular and dance music.

Dates: 2nd - 5th July 2005
Location: Sancta Sophia College, Sydney, NSW, Australia (Barony of Rowany, Kingdom of Lochac)
Steward: Master Delbert von Strassburg (Del Elson), 2/83 Birkley Rd, Manly NSW 2095, Australia, *kwds@sca.org.au*

Further information and bookings are available on this web site: *http://www.sca.org.au/kwds/*

Ibrahim, Sultan and Ileana, Sultana Outlands

Greetings unto Our august and mighty populace of the Outlands.

We are astounded at the wealth of talent and good fellowship that abounds within Our borders. Estella was a wonderful event, due to the beauty and grace of Our Kingdom. We give hearty making Our Hafla a rousing success and to all Our generous populace that gave so much of their time, energy, and talents to making Our Kingdom shine brighter then the Aten sun. Our valiant allies fought by Our side and brought joy to Our revelry and to them and theirs, goes the gratitude of the Kingdom of the Outlands.

Our Barony of Fontaine dans Sable hosted Our Crown Tournament in grand style, and Our heirs were received with great joy. We applaud all the combatants and consorts of Our Crown tourney for their courtesy and chivalry both on, and off the field. We give heartfelt appreciation to Their Excellencies for their gracious hospitality, for it was a warm return to Our fair Kingdom.

Our caravan proceeds westward to celebrate with Our Artimesian Allies, TRM Reinmar and Albretaâ's crowning of Their heirs. We have no doubt that the Griffin Throne will be left in fine care. It is then time to travel eastward to Gulf Wars to celebrate with Our cousins of Meridies. We then gratefully return to Our beloved lands to seek the finest of Artisans the Kingdom of the Outlands has to offer. Kingdom Arts and Sciences promises to be an outstanding display of extraordinary delights, if what We have witnessed from Our Artisans so far this year is an example of what they have to display.

Once again, We cannot find words adequate to describe the overwhelming gratitude We feel for this Kingdom and all that it provides to its' Crown in support, largess and enthusiasm.

Ibrahim *Ileana*
Sultan *Sultana*

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408-687-9155

Gulf Wars XIV

March 14-20, 2005
King's Arrow Ranch, Lumberton, MS

Come join the fun as Ansteorra and Trimaris meet on the field of battle. Something for everyone: fighting in all forms, arts & sciences, classes, dancing, coursing, jousting, merchants and much much more.

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www.gulfwars.org

Spring Crown Tournament
Sponsoring Group: Barony of Fontaine dans Sable
Date: March 5th and 6th, 2005

Fighting Location: Berg Park, Scott and San Juan Blvd
Fighting Site opens at 8:00 am and closes at 6:00 pm.
Feast Site: Farmington Civic Center, 200 West Arrington
Feast Site opens at 4:00 pm and closes at 10:00 pm.
Autocrat: Elvenora danyel del la Roche (Lix Raney) 505-320-1986, .PO Box 1025, Aztec NM 87410, email: *elyenora@yahoo.com*
Co-Autocrat: Lady Ceara McCain (Kerri Howlett) 505-326-0190, *kerri@advantas.net*
Feast Coordinator: Baroness Mary of Lyonshall 505-325-2580
Reservations: Julianna journey (Denise Journey) 505-333-2187 (h) / 505-402-4567 (c) , 825 N. Maddox, Aztec NM 87410, *crownfeast05@hotmail.com*
Fees: Site: $10.00 / Feast $10.00, Half price for children aged 5 to 12
A non-member charge of $3.00 will be charged to all non-members regardless of age.
Checks should be made payable to SCA; Fountaine dans Sable.
Restrictions: Both the fighting and feast site are DRY.
Block Rooms are available at the Best Western Inn and Suites 505-327-5221.

Unto the populace of the Mighty Kingdom of the Outlands do Duncan and Mary Baron and Baroness Fontaine dans Sable send greetings.

It is with glad hearts that we announce that Fontaine dans Sable will be hosting the Spring Crown Tournament to determine the heirs to Their Majesties Ibrahim and Ileana, Sultan and Sultana. The Tournament will be held as per the change in kingdom law on the First Weekend of March, March 5th and 6th, 2005. We anticipate a wonderful tournament and feast and would love to see a great numbers of the Outlands populace attend.

Information: The Tourney site located one block north of the hotel and is within walking distance. A block of rooms is available for $59.95 per night, mention the SCA when making your reservations to get the correct rate.

This is an estimated schedule and of course, this is completely subject to Their Majesties discretion:

8 AM Tourney Site Opens	Feast Site Opens at 4PM
Opening Court 9AM	Evening Court 5 PM
Tourney 10 AM	Feast after Evening Court
	Feast Site Closes 10PM

After Revel, the unofficial after revel will be at Rookies (the karaoke bar at the best Western) where many of you may remember losing that loving feeling at Hoegaarden and Chiara's coronation.

Feast: The Feast will be at the Farmington Civic Center. Feast will be limited to 125 paid feast reservations. Of Course the only absolute reservation is a paid reservation. Please see the information above for reservation e-mail, phone numbers, and address to send payment to. Table Settings and Feast Gear will be needed. No Candles will be allowed except the candles provided on the tables. The basic Menu will include Barley Soup, Brisket, Turkey, Vegetables, Vegetarian Meal, Breads, Herbed Butters, Rice, Pasta, etc. A complete Menu will be posted to the Outlands List prior to the event.

Directions:

From South: Make you way to Hwy 64 from Bloomfield to Farmington. Hwy 64 will become Murray Thruway Turn right on to Broadway (Hwy 64), Proceed across Bridge, Hotel will be on Right at intersection with Scott.

From North. Make you way to Farmington on Hwy 516 from Aztec to Farmington, In Farmington Turn Left on San Juan Blvd. At Second Light (Scott) turn Left on to Scott. At next light Hotel will be on your left.

From West. Come in from Shiprock on Hwy 64. Continue on Hwy 64 (Broadway) to intersection with Scott. Hotel will be on Left.

From Hotel to Berg Park: North on foot path from Hotel one block to park, or North on Scott 1 block to park.

From Hotel to Civic Center. West on Broadway to Behrend. Right on Behrend. 2 Block North on Behrend Civic Center on Right. Parking in several lots around Civic Center.

Luck of Heroes
Sponsoring Group: Barony of Unser Hafen
Date: March 26, 2005

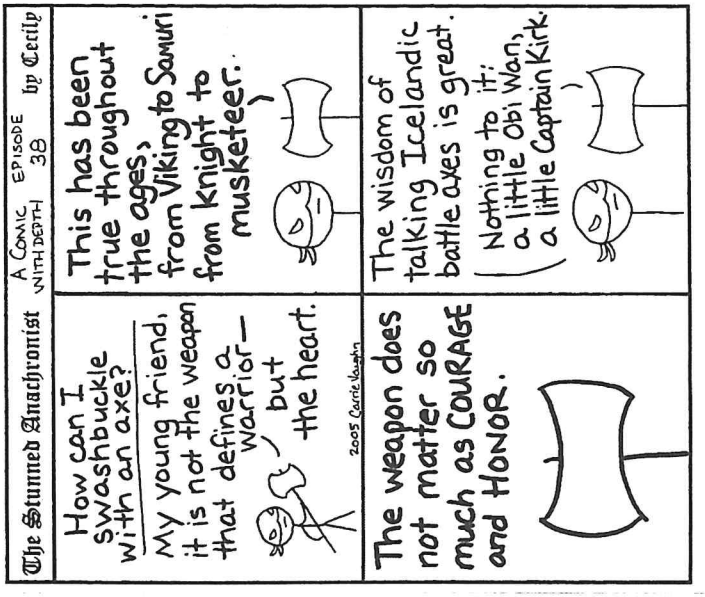
Location: Old Larimer County Fairgrounds, McMillan Bldg, 700 S. Railroad Ave, Loveland, CO 80537
Site Opens at 12:00 pm and Closes at 9:00 pm.
Site Fee: Adults $12.00, Children (5 - 12) $ 3.00, Under 6 Free
($3.00 surcharge for non-members over 12)
Feast Fee : Adults $6.00, Children (5 - 12) $ 3.00, Under 6 Free
Site is dry.
Make checks payable to SCA-Unser Hafen.
Autocrat: Lady Juliana (Jamie Bain)970-402-6575, *Juliana_deVitre@hotmail.com*
Co-Autocrat: Lady Amora (Madison Treheus) *qhlover46@hotmail.com*
Feast Coordinator: Lady Deirdre (Mary Colby) 970-622-0132
Ghostocrat: Sir Alexander Darrick Hildman) 970-310-7778 *Hildman@excite.com*
Reservations: Must arrive by March 25th: Rosalind Wells 970-667-1284, 3601 El Caminito, Loveland, CO 80537, *Rosalind@colomail.com*

As winter loosens its grip upon us, Their Excellencies have decreed a day of celebration! Come one, come all to a day of games, gambling, dancing and sport. Prove yourself a hero as you compete in races, thrown weapons, archery, and other physical challenges. Test the agility of your mind with cards, chess, and gambling, or join a quest! There will be a buffet feast served throughout the day by several of the Barony's wonderful cooks, and even more gaming and dancing to fill the night hours. Come join the revelry of spring and test your luck—after all, there is more to being a hero than swinging a sword!

Schedule:

12:00	Site Opens	6:00	Court (or at the whim of any royalty)
12:30	Buffet Opens	7:00	Dancing and Gambling
1:00-4:00	Outdoor Games	9:30-ish	Site Closes
4:00-6:00	Indoor Games and Gambling		

Directions: McMillan Bldg., 700 S. Railroad Ave., Loveland, CO 80537: From I-25, take exit 255 West 5 miles. Go North on Roosevelt Ave. 1/2 mile and cross the railroad tracks. The site entrance is on the East side of the road.


The Stunned Anachronist
A Comic With Depth
Episode 38
by Cerily
How can I swashbuckle with an axe?
My young friend, it is not the weapon that defines a warrior— but the heart.
2005 Carrie Vaughn
This has been true throughout the ages, from Viking to Samuri from knight to musketeer.
The wisdom of talking Icelandic battle axes is great.
Nothing to it! a little Obi Wan, a little Captain Kirk.
The weapon does not matter so much as COURAGE and HONOR.

Sworded Affair
Sponsoring Group: Barony of al-Barran
Date: March 26, 2005

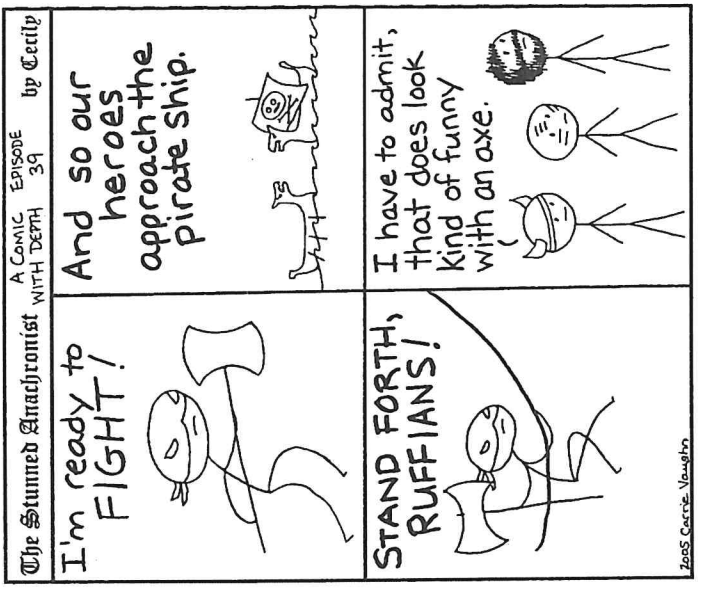
Location: Moriarty Civic Center, 202 Broadway, Moriarty, NM 87035
Site: Opens 9:00 am and Closes 10:00 pm
Autocrat: Don Rudger E-nerys (Dean Vickery) 505-259-0645 *RudgerX@aol.com*
Deputy Autocrat: Lord Michael McGuillan of Blackthrone (Glenn Clayburn) 505-332-9213 *Pony-boy314@comcast.net*
Rapier Class Coordinator: Don Charles Blackstone (Charlie Winckless) *charles@silvertyne.com*
A&S Class Coordinator: Mistress Cailte (Kathleen Roberts) *karobert@unm.edu*
Feast Coordinator: Don Coinneach McPhereson (Ken Hargis) *coinneach@silvertyne.com*

In the middle of the 16th century, the great Spanish combat masters such as Marozzo and Agrippa set the stage for rapier combat which would follow in later decades. Thus, Sworded Affaire this year will be centered around Spain in the 16th century. There will be three rapier classes and three arts and science classes Also, we will be featuring the customary melees, as well as the Captain of the Silver Tynes Tournament. And do not forget, pickup fights will be taking place all day long.

In the evening, we will have a wonderful Spanish themed feast. Bring out your best late period garb and your cheesiest Spanish accent, and bask in the ambience of Renaissance Spain, where swordsmanship and chivalry went hand-in-hand.

Clean up those blades, polish your boots, and make sure those plumes are big and foofy. There will be nary a dull moment all day long. Fight, feast, learn a thing or two, and look good doing it. What more can you ask of an event?

Directions to the Site: Take your best route to eastbound I-40 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Head towards Moriarty (roughly 30 miles east of Albuquerque) and take exit 196 and head right at the stop sign, then go right again at the first stoplight (west). After .2 miles, make a left on Broadway (next to the post office). After .2 miles, the Civic Center is left across the street from City Hall.


The Stunned Anachronist
A Comic with Depth
Episode 39
by Cecily
I'm ready to FIGHT!
And so our heroes approach the pirate ship.
I have to admit, that does look kind of funny with an axe.
STAND FORTH, RUFFIANS!
2005 Carrie Vaughn

A Fool's Tourney!

Sponsoring Group: Shire of White Mountain
Date: April 2, 2005

Location: Alameda Park, 1000 block of White Sands Blvd, Alamogordo, NM
Site Autocrat: Lady Elspeth Buckingham (Sherry Ball), 1309 22nd St, Alamogordo, NM 88310, 505-437-0832, *gsball@zianet.com*
Time: Site opens at 8:00 am and will close at dusk.
Site Fee: No site fee will be charged. Instead, we will rely on your generous donations to make this happen.

As spring comes again, so does the urge to behave a little foolishly! We are pleased to present our Fool's Tourney once again for your enjoyment. We look forward to seeing the fighters in action, so come out and play! There will be heavy fighting in the morning, fencing in the afternoon, and children's activities periodically throughout the day. And come prepared for our bragging contest once again!

Heavy fighting lists will open at 8:00 am; fighting will commence at 9:30 am.

Fencing lists will open at noon; fighting will commence at 1:30 pm.

Bragging will be done officially at 1:00 pm.

As always, we will offer prizes for not only our tourney winners, but also the most foolish displays of behavior, best death, and chivalry.

Directions: Take your best route to Alamogordo, NM. Follow the signs for White Sands Blvd, and look for the day-glo SCA signs. The park is very obvious, and is on the west side of the road. There is plenty of parking, on site restrooms, a playground, and a few small grills. There are also many fast food places and restaurants nearby. Please bear in mind that since this is a public part, the site is DRY.

We have a limited amount of crash space - if interested, please contact the autocrat. Also, there will be an after-revel, which is NOT dry! Maps will be available at the tourney site.

Feathers in the Glen

Sponsoring Group: Shire of Gleann Medonach
Date: April 2 and 3, 2005

Location: Artesian Bowmasters Outdoor Range, Airport Road, Artesia, NM
Autocrat: Cormic the Archer (Mike Bailey) , *cormic40m@yahoo.com*
Co-Autocrat: Baron Ben, 505-317-6789 or 505-624-2797
Fees: Adult $10.00, Children under 12 are free. There is a $30.00 family cap.
Lunch will be served.
Site is discreetly wet. Pets must be leashed at all times.

Archers of the Outlands. Help. We have charging knights to repulse, dragons to shoot from the sky, catapult crews to destroy lest our walls be breached and fair princesses to rescue. If you like to shoot RR or IKAC, come. If you like to shoot tings that move, come. If you like to duel, come. Bring your armor and light fighter friends to aid in your quest to rescue the princess. Bring your Combat Archer friends and fight CA vs CA duels. Think you are good enough to put out a candle in the dark. Come prove it.

If you are worried about the new Archers Authorization Policy, come on down. DAG's will be present to authorize.

In addition to a wild archers weekend, there will be light and heavy tourneys, a Quest to rescue the princess, and old fashioned Bardic Circle on Saturday night, and food for all.

Keep these directions from the Sheriff of Nottingham but all others make your best way to Artesia NM. All highways in the area meet at the east end of Main Street. Turn west (US 82) and enjoy a glimpse of small town Americana as you pass through town. As you exit Artesia to the west, watch for Airport Road and turn right. Entering town from the west, turn left at Airport Road. Watch for our shields / signs.

Outlands Arts and Sciences Competition
Sponsoring Group: Shire of Scorpion's Hollow
Date: April 9, 2005

Location: First United Methodist Church 1501 N. Sycamore Clovis, NM 88101
Site: Opens 9:00 am and Closes 11:00 pm
Autocrat: THL Margaret Hepburn (Julie Stackable) 7134A Tennessee Ct. Clovis, NM 88101 505-784-8172
Please direct all e-mail questions to OutlandsASComp@yahoo.com
Co-Autocrat: Gyda Magnusdotter (Dolores Gumm)
Feast Coordinator: Lady Clothilde van der Aalst (Lori Frazier)
Site Fee: Adults $10.00, Children 6 to 12 $5.00, 5 and younger Free
Feast Fee: $8.00, Children's Feast cost TBA
Restrictions: Site is DRY and smoking in designated areas only. Only Aid animals allowed inside.

Come join us in the South for an Oasis to please the Five Senses. Artisans of the Outlands, it is time once again to bring out your finest creations and allow the world to see them. Those not wishing to compete are asked to please bring their works for display, there will be plenty of room.

Lunch will be courtesy of Mistress Bennet Murray. Feast will be provided by our world-renowned chef de cuisine (well, okay, we like her) Lady Clothilde van der Aalst and her talented staff. There are many surprises in store for this feast! Also planned is a separate Children's Feast for the younger palate.

Please make a feast reservations (adult and child) through the autocrat, either via email or by phone. We will feed everyone who makes a reservation, they need not be prepaid. Site reservations are very nice, also through the autocrat, to help us with a head count.

Pre-registration is required for entering the competition. Information needed includes name, local group, name of entry and category of entry.

Please see *http://www.outlands.org/ArtsSciences/ansofficer.html* for categories, judging forms, rules etc. or contact the Outlands A&S Minister, Lady Chiara Grassi for all questions regarding the competition itself at *artsandsciences@outlands.org*.

Please see the event's website at *http://www.geocities.com/blackwaterkeep/arts-sciences.htm* for complete details, lists of hotels & local merchants, directions etc. Please use the initial email address to contact the event coordinators with any questions or concerns, such as food allergies, crash space, etc.

Time and weather permitting, we will be holding light and heavy mini-tourneys and an IKAC on Sunday at the Castle. Please check back next month for further details.

Arts and Sciences Office - Minister of the Arts & Sciences

Greetings Good Populace of the Outlands

As you read this Estrella is behind us. I thank all of those who worked so hard to make the Outlands shine in all things Arts and Science.

Our Kingdom Arts and Science competition is hard upon us. Please know that it will be a standard competition, held according the rules published in the A&S Handbook.

1. Kingdom of the Outlands Arts & Sciences Competition is open to all SCA Members.
2. No item may be entered which has previously won or placed in any other Outlands Kingdom A&S Competition. Entries from Queen's Prize Tourney will be accepted
3. Any single item will be entered in only one category.
4. Individuals may enter as many categories as they wish, with a maximum of three entries per category.
5. First and Second place awards will be given in each category (exceptions to this rule will be made based on number of entries in each category).

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Arts and Sciences Office - Minister of the Arts & Sciences - Continued

6. Each entrant wishing to compete for overall A&S Champion is required to enter a minimum of three items, in at least two categories. Overall scores will then be tallied and the entrant with the highest overall average will be declared the Champion. In the event of a tie in these averages scores, the entrant with the highest single score of the two will be declared the winner.
7. An entry's score will be the average of the scores given it by the judges in that category.
8. Each entrant MUST be on site and should preferable be available to speak with the judges.
9. Each entry must be accompanied by a minimum of three copies of documentation which should include: a general description, method of construction, and information relating to its authentic and/or anachronistic value and use.
10. Written entries: Three copies of written entries are required for distribution on the day of the Competition. There is no limit on the number of pages, but 10pt or 12pt typeface in a plain font is requested.
11. Entries need not be in their final state by the time of the Competition, however, completion is highly encouraged. If the work is incomplete, please note this in the documentation and explain the finishing of the entry.
12. All work shall be completed by the entrant. If the entry is a group effort, please note this in the documentation.
13. Actual pieces must be entered - no photographs or reproductions will be accepted.
14. Items manufactured from kits are not eligible for entry, however, templates may be used.
15. The Kingdom Minister of Arts & Sciences and designated representatives reserve the right to combine any categories not receiving sufficient entries into a miscellaneous class.
16. The Kingdom Minister of Arts & Sciences and designated representatives reserve the right to make exceptions to the above rules on a case-by-case basis.
17. Entries must be registered by 10:00am on the day of the event - NO EXCEPTIONS.

In addition, all entries MUST PREREGISTER. This can be done using the convenient online registration form provided on the event website or by emailing, phoning or writing to me by March 31st. This will tell me how many judges are needed, and in what fields.

To register your entry I require: SCA name, legal name, local group, name of entry, category of entry and approximate amount of space needed.

In the past there has been discussion on the issuing of first and second place to a single person in a single category. It is my feeling that the winner of a category has already proven their superiority in that field, and therefore the second place prize should go to a different person.

I have been asked if Laurels are eligible to compete. Laurels wishing to compete in an area that is not their primary specialty are welcome to do so. Laurels wishing to get commentary and feedback on projects within their specialty are invited and encouraged to participate in the Laurels Display, which will be in a specially designated area.

This is where I get down on my knees and beg and plead for judges. Please, please, please. We can not have a competition without you! Anyone willing to judge should please contact me with their name, their home location, and the areas they are willing to judge. Thank you!

I look forward to seeing you all in Scorpion's Hollow.

In Service,
Lady Chiara Grassi

Art Credits:

Cover:	Lord Michael McQuillan of Blackthrone (Glen Clayburn)
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April Moo's
Sponsoring Group: Canton of Bofharrah
Date: April 30, 2005

Location: Island Grove "Bunkhouse", 501 North 14th Ave, Greeley, CO 80631
Site: Opens 9:00 am and Closes 9:00 pm
Autocrat: Lady Theresa (Theresa Burk), 1227 8th St, Greeley, CO 80631, 720-810-1502, *treycajarre@yahoo.com*
Co-Autocrat: Lord Donnchadh (Jeff Tester), 1227 8th St, Greeley, CO 80631, 720-810-1502, *rayne@faeriewings.net*
Reservations: Lady Elissent of Silverleaf (Beverly Alliss) 1227 8th St, Greeley, CO 80631, 970-978-1371, *Elissent@faeriewings.net*
Feast Coordinator: Lady Clothilde van der Aalst (Lori Frazier)
Site Fee: $6.50 per head (A $3.00 surcharge applies for any non-member)
Restrictions: Site is DRY.

The winter has cleared and the cows are once again grazing upon the land, come join us as we enjoy the fresh spring and the coming of summer.

Notes: Due to fire code, there are only 75 slots available, so please, get your reservations in, Also, please include with your reservations: SCA name, Mundane name, Member Number, Phone Number and Email address. Checks shall be payable to SCA – Canton of Bofharrach.

Directions:

From I-25. Take the Highway 34 exit east. Go to 35th Avenue. Turn left and go to 10th Street. Turn right, go to 14th Avenue, turn left and 14th Avenue takes you right into Island Grove Regional Park. Once in the park, Take a left and keep going until you reach the Bunkhouse (If your in the river, you went too far)

From Highway 85 Go north into Greeley, where Highway 85 turns into 8th Avenue. Go to 5th Street, turn left. Go west to 14th Avenue, turn right and 14th Avenue takes you right into Island Grove Regional Park. Once in the park, Take a left and keep going until you reach the Bunkhouse (If you are in the river, you went too far)

A Fundraising Activity is Announced!

Greetings to the noble populace of Caerthe and the Outlands,

The Incipient Canton of Bloodstone Keep is building a heavy and light tourney Fighting Eric. It shall be glorious and beautiful, full of color, life and pageantry. The splendor of the Fighting Eric will be out shown only by the beauty of our Baroness! As such, we are making and selling pennants to be permanently attached to the rope portion of the Eric. These rectangular pennants will measure 8" x 22" in size and are made of silk. You can purchase one or more of these pennants for just $10 each. Your personal or household device will be hand painted on them by our very own local artisans. Please note: the device must be registered with the SCA College of Arms. These pennants will be displayed every time the Eric is set up. Imagine the feeling of pride you shall enjoy when you attend Bloodstone Keep events and see your device permanently displayed for all to see and for years to come.

To make your purchase, please send your money to the Incipient Canton of Bloodstone Keep's Reeve: Lord Fynn (Chris Bunny), 7701 West Quarto Dr. Littleton CO 80128, 720-981-0378.

We plan to have our brand new Eric on display for the first time at our very first event as an incipient canton. The event is Mountain Mayhem and will be held on Saturday, May 7. (Look for event details published in the Fortress and the Outlandish Herald.) In order to have your pennant included in this first grand unveiling you will need to purchase your pennant by Monday, April 4. So, please, buy your pennants early! Even after that we will still continue to collect money and add devices until the Fighting Eric is full and there is no more room for them.

Please join us in creating a permanent addition to the beauty and pageantry of the SCA!
In service,

Wilham the Just
6th Squire to Viscount Sterling Schawn Leopard

Mountain Mayhem

Sponsoring Group: Caerthe's Incipient Canton of Bloodstone Keep
Date: May 7, 2005

Location: Cornerstone Park, 5150 S. Windermere Street, Littleton, CO - Southeast Corner
Site: Opens 10:00 am and Closes 6:00 pm
Autocrat: Viscount Sterling, 303-703-8476 (no call after 9:00 pm, please)
schawnsmith@att.com
Site/Feast Fee Adults: $3.00, plus $3.00 surcharge for non-members.
Feast Fee: $8.00
Thus, $8.00 for both site and feast if member, $11.00 if non-member.
Site/Feast Fee Children: Children 5 to 16 are half price, i.e., $1.50 site and $2.50 feast.
Thus $4.00 per child for both, no non-member surcharge.
Infants and toddlers aged 0 to 4 are free.
Family Cap: Family cap is $20.00 no including the non-member sircharge.
Restrictions: Site is DRY. Nothing about this event is discreet.
Site has public restrooms, water, and very limited tables and shade.
Website: *http://www.ssprd.org/southsubNew/cornerstone.asp*

Oyez, Oyez You are cordially invited to a VERY informal event, Mountain Mayhem! There will be Fun, Mayhem, and Madness for all who attend. Yes, we will have fighting for both heavy and light, bring your blue and green cards please. Yes, we will have an A&S showing and competition by populace choice. Yes, the kids will have lots to do. Yes, we will have dancing and the pursuit of the gentler arts. And of course some other surprises will be in store, concocted by the fiendish mind of Viscount Sterling. Warning! Be prepared for bizarre and strange activities! DO bring your cash, as this is a fund raising event for Caerthe's Incipient Canton of Bloodstone Keep. DO bring your vendettas, as this is a great place for the populace to witness justice. Don't bring your fancy pants, as this is going to be Denver in May and an outdoor site. Do bring shade, hats, sunscreen, chairs, and a fun attitude!

Schedule:

10:00	Troll Opens
11:00	Opening Court (1st Public Stoning, don't be late or you'll miss it)
11:30	Helm & Mask Auction to benefit incipient canton
12:30	Heavy Tourney, Light Tourney, A&S Populaces Choice
	Children's Hobby Horse Construction
2:00	Children's Horse Race
2:30	Heavy & Light Surprise Tourneys
3:30	Closing Court, Prizes
4:00	Feast
5:00	Clean up
6:00	Vacate site

Directions:

From the North: Take your best route to I-25 and Santa Fe (85), travel south on Santa Fe I-85 to Belleview Rd. Turn left heading east on Belleview Road. Go to Windermere (next light) and turn right heading south.

From the South: Take your best route to C-470 and Santa Fe (85). Head north on Santa Fe (85) to Belleview Rd. Turn right heading east on Belleview Rd. Go to Windermere (next light) and turn right heading south.

From the East: Take your best route to I-25 and Belleview Rd. Head west on Belleview to Windermere Rd. Turn left heading south on Windermere Rd.

ALL: Once on Windermere Rd., go to the next light, Prentice, turn left heading east on Prentice. Pass the park and turn left at the next street, S. Hickory, turn left again into parking lot.

Crossroads VII
Sponsoring Group: Hawks Hollow
Date: May 27 - 30, 2005

Location: Crow Valley Camp Ground, 44741 WCR 77, Briggsdale CO, 80611
Site: Opens May 27th at 2:00 pm and Closes May 30th at 12:00 pm
Autocrat and Merchant Autocrat: Lady Stasia (Christy Korir) 10793 W 67th Place, Arvada, CO 80004, 303-424-5577, *Flamingdoginn@yahoo.com*
Co-Autocrat and Reservations: THLady Yuki (Michelle Tillotson), 2100 W 100th Avenue #467, Denver, CO 80260, 303-464-0289
Make checks payable to SCA-Hawks Hollow.
Feast Coordinator: THLady Orfhlaith (Julia Hatcher), 11563 E. Cedar Avenue, Aurora, CO 80012, 303-341-5765.
Site Fee: Site Only Weekend: $13 Adult, $7 Child (4-12), Children under 4 free.
NO Family cap.
$3 non member surcharge for Adults.
Reservations are highly recommended.
Site only Day Fee: $7 Adult, $4 Child (4-12), $3 non member surcharge for Adults.
Feast Fee: $7 Adult, $4 Child (4-12)
Meal Plan: $15 Adult, $7 Child (4-12). Meal Plan is PRE PAID ONLY. Deadline is May 7th, 2005.
Restrictions: Water and Privies on site. Site is wet.
Pets allowed on leashes – ENFORCED

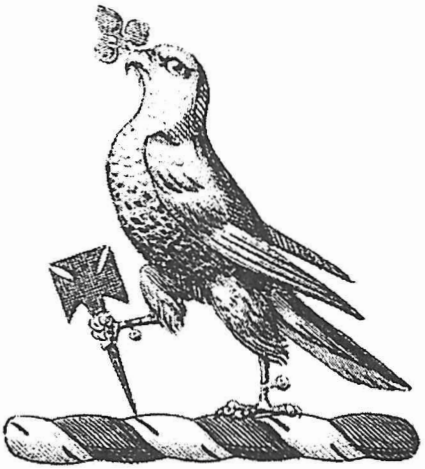
The Four Winds have blown harshly all winter. Spring will be busy with preparations for a fruitful harvest season. The lone Hawk waits patiently at the Crossroads for the first Summer gathering. Friends old and new, travel from all directions to come to the Crossroads for a weekend of fighting, fun and frivolity. Come join us as we seek out our champions for the next year in Heavy, Light, Archery, A&S and Bardic competitions. The Northern Royal Archer Tourney is also a spectacle to witness! Activities for children are planned for both days!

NEW THIS YEAR!!!! We will be seeking Children Champions for Crossroads in Boffers, Archery and A&S!! Also if you are seeking to be the Grand Champion this year you will have to compete in one final non combative challenge – a race that promises to be challenging, fun and very entertaining!!

Crossroads meals are always delicious and child friendly!! Feast menu includes: Jambalaya, Bread, Salads, Veggies, and Ice Cream. Meal plan menus may include: Kingdom famous Scotch eggs, sausages and gravy, Beef medallions, Pork sausage links with spicy red sauce. And much, much more! (OK, OK you got me! Those last two would be hamburgers and chili dogs!)

Artists of the Outlands – if you would like to donate a piece of your craftsmanship as a prize for this auspicious event, they are very much needed, and would be greatly appreciated! Please contact the Autocrat!

Directions and any further information or changes to follow in next months article.



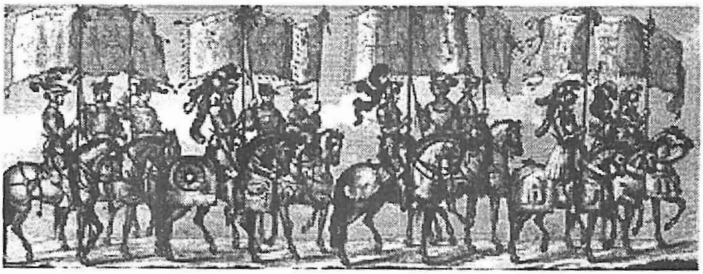
A Missive from the SCA Board of Directors

The SCA Board of Directors is currently accepting applications for the position of Society Copyright Deputy, a deputy to the Society Chronicler. This is an unpaid position normally requiring less than 5 hours per week.

The Copyright Deputy acts as a resource for the Society on all issues of copyright law. He or she may be consulted by the Corporate Office, Society Chronicler, Society Seneschal, or other corporate and Society officers on questions of copyright for both print and electronic publications. The Copyright Deputy should either be a legal professional, or someone with experience in the publishing industry, journalism, or academia concerning copyright questions. Basic familiarity with copyright law outside the United States (particularly Canada and the European Union) would also be an asset. Other qualifications for the position include excellent written and oral communication skills and the ability to explain copyright policy and law to laymen. Familiarity with SCA publications is also required.

The Copyright Deputy reports to the Society Chronicler and is required to report quarterly, as well as to be available via the Internet to answer questions.

Resumes (professional and Society, including offices held and awards received) must be sent to the attention of the Board at the SCA Corporate Office, P.O. Box 360789, Milpitas, CA 95036-0789, or electronically to resumes@sca.org with a copy to chronicler@sca.org. Resumes must be received by March 15, 2005.



Position Available: President of the SCA, Inc.

The SCA Board of Directors is currently accepting applications for the position of President of the SCA Inc. This is an unpaid position requiring approximately 10-20 hours per week.

The President is the principal spokesperson for the SCA. The President may sign and authorize such instruments as he or she deems appropriate to the conduct of the SCA's proper business. The President oversees much of the day-to-day operation of the Society, and supervises many of the Society officers. The President is responsible for legal matters including contracts, merchandising, and trademarks. The President may be expected to perform other duties as assigned by the Board.

Qualifications for the position include excellent written and oral communication skills, the ability to work independently to deadlines, and the ability to prioritize tasks. Organizational ability and problem-solving skills are a must. Prior experience at the Corporate level of the SCA, Inc. is highly recommended.

Applicants must be available to attend quarterly meetings of the Board of Directors, typically held over a Friday and a Saturday. They must also be available for approximately four conference call meetings per year, typically during weekday evenings. As a great deal of the Board's business occurs via the Internet, immediate access to a computer, printer, and email is a requirement.

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SCA Board Nominee List, Current as of 12/18/2004

Name	SCA Name	Kingdom	Until
Alan Andrist	Alanus of Bunghea	An Tir	01/06
G. Richard Auklandus	Viscount Gaius M.L. Auklandus	West	01/07
Tobi Beck	Duchess Elina of Beckenham	Middle	07/06
Anthony Bellettini	Lord Duncan Stewart	East	07/06
David Carswell	THL Erick of Longacres	Ealdormere	01/06
Lee Cockerham	Sir Kief av Kiersted	Ansteorra	07/05
Susan Earley	Maestra Margherita Alessia	Middle	01/05
David J. fitzGerald	Sir Gerald Thomas fitzGerald an Roghaire	Artemisia	07/05
Cliff Frick	Dux Darius Corvinus Equis	An Tir	01/06
Frederick Hollander	Duke Frederick of Holland	West	01/05
David James	Kwelland-Njal Kollskeggsson	Atlantia	01/06
Elaine Koogler	Minowara Kiritsubo no Ason	Atlantia	07/06
John F. Lewis	Lord Eugene Louis Moritriair	Middle	07/06
Leslie Luther-Fulton	Countess Jane Falada of Englewood	Meridies	01/06
Burke McCrory	Sir Burke Kyriell MacDonald	Ansteorra	01/06
Michael D. McGuffin	Master Michael of Brecon	An Tir	01/06
Krysta McGuire	Viscountess Krysta MacIntyre	Atenveldt	01/06
Christopher T.C. Miller	Lord Madoc Arundel	East	01/05
Michelle Moll	Viscountess Moria the Black	Ealdormere	07/05
E. F. Morrill	Viscount Edward Zifran von Gendy	East	01/05
Scot Myers	Master Bran Trefonnen	Ansteorra	01/06
Beth Patchett	Viscountess Rylyn Buchanan, OP	Ealdormere	01/06
George Reed	Master Aaron Faheud Swiftrunner of the Stone Keep	Middle	01/05
Shawn Reed	Mistress Stephanie of Nethyrwoode	Meridies	01/06
Katie Richardson	Duchess Katerina O'Callaghan	Atenveldt	07/07
Kevin Schooler	Lord Sylverstone the Traveler	An Tir	01/06
Margaret Silvestri	Duchess Megan nic Alister of Thornwood	West	01/06
Hal Simon	Baron Edwin FitzLloyd	Ansteorra	07/07
Vincent Stewart	Baron Yusuf Ju'bar al Timbuktuuwi	An Tir	01/06
Stacie J. Tibbetts	Countess Leonora Morgana, OP	Caid	07/07
Caroline Walsh	THL Roslyn McLaren	Meridies	01/06
Tonessa West Crowe	Duquessa Isabella of York	East	07/06
Blair Wettlaufer	Brand Thorwaldsson	Ealdormere	01/06
Carolyn Zitny	Baroness Cara Michelle DuValier	Caid	01/06

We need your input; please help. If you have an opinion concerning any of the above named individuals, your commentary is very much needed and gratefully received by the Board. In addition, new nominations are always needed and strongly encouraged. Any member may nominate any member, including themselves, for the Board. If you know someone who you think would make a good Board Member, please nominate them. Remember that all information in these letters is kept completely confidential, and no one elected to the Board sees commentary on themselves.

Please send all comments and nominations to Lis Schraer, Board Recruiting, 3651 Hartford Street, St Louis MO 63116, 314-772-1954 or *recruiting@sca.org*. Please include your name and address in any letter sent concerning these matters, and remember to include the name and address of anyone you nominate for the Board so that we may contact them. You will receive a response indicating that we received your correspondence, if you do not hear back from us promptly, we did not get your missive.

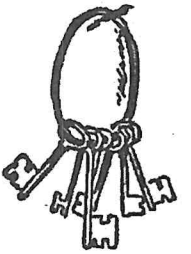
Seneschal's Office - Kingdom Seneschal

It is my sad duty to announce that the populace of Kahlland has chosen to dissolve the shire. The shire of Kahlland was home to many happy memories to many Outlanders and, most especially, to myself. Their zip codes, funds and populace have been transferred to the rolls of nearby Gleann Medonach.

The Honorable Lord Torcail the southern regional deputy seneschal, has announced that he will be stepping down. His vigilant service has greatly enriched the realm and I thank him for his dedication to the seneschallate. The Honorable Lord Simon Montgumery has volunteered for the position and will be the new southern regional deputy seneschal as of 1 March 2005.

I would also like to thank Lady Thyra for her years of service as Kingdom Exchequer. For those interested in the position of Exchequer, please send your letter of intent to myself, the Crown and the Society Exchequer. Letters of intent are due by 31 March 2005. Contact information for all of the above can be found in the Outlandish Herald.

His Excellency, Sir Lavan, has announced his intent to step down in his position as Earl Marshal for the Outlands. Lavan's unwavering devotion to his office has been an inspiration to all who wish to serve the Outlands. Should you wish to apply for the position of Earl Marshal, please submit your letters of intent, no later than (you guessed it) 31 March 2005, to myself, the Crown and to the Society Earl Marshal. All of the necessary contact information can be found in the...Outlandish Herald. (I hope you have one nearby.)



Mistress Leah de Montomerie

Chancellery of the Exchequer - Interim Kingdom Exchequer

Unto the Populace and Officers of the Kingdom of the Outlands, good greetings.

By Their Majesties Grace and Favor, I am pleased to serve the Kingdom in a new capacity. Due to personal commitments, Lady Thyra has retired from the Kingdom Exchequer position.

I would like to thank my predecessor, Lady Thyra. She has worked diligently in the office to keep things on an even keel. Unfortunately her mundane employers wish to utilize her talents to the point that she can no longer maintain the office.

At this time I am an interim replacement. If you are interested in becoming the Kingdom Exchequer, please submit a letter of interest to the Crown, to the Society Exchequer, Margherita Alessia and to Her Excellency Leah, the Kingdom Seneschal. Please refer to the Outlandish Herald for pertinent contact information on all of those individuals listed.

Having served in several other capacities in our Kingdom, I have a good understanding of the importance of good communication. If you have questions regarding the Kingdom Exchequer office, a group's Doomsday status, the Non-Member Surcharge, or other issues, do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at *Cainnleach@aol.com* or at 719-266-1137 (evenings).

There will be a Kingdom Exchequer's Symposium held at Coronation in Dragonsspine in May, taught by our Society Exchequer, Maestra Margherita Alessia. Scheduling times and further information will be coming soon.

I am excited to assist you and the Kingdom. I look forward to working with a number of you over the next few months.

Yours, In Service to the Outlands;

Duchess Cainnleach Uiseir of Glendalough

Herald's Office - White Stag Principal Herald

The White Stag decision meeting schedule: 13 March (note change due to Crown Tournament!) and 10 April, 12 noon, at my residence. A lunch entrée and drinks will be provided - please advise if you plan to attend so I know how much food to prepare, and let me know of any food allergies/aversions or dietary restrictions. Healthy children welcome. I have cats, for those with allergies. Call or e-mail for directions.

Heraldic Mythbusting: Many people are under the impression that the shape armory is submitted on is the only shape it may ever be displayed on. This is not true - the shapes on the forms are to ensure that emblazons are easily recognizable as to type for processing, and to ensure that they are of uniform size in case of a potential visual conflict. Once registered, devices and badges may be displayed on any shape the bearer chooses.

The following items were ruled on by Laurel on the August 2004 LoAR:

ACCEPTANCES:

Adriana Maria Presley. Device. Sable, on a rose Or seeded and barbed vert, a dragon salient sable.

Berold de Gilbert. Name change from Berold Blackwolf de Gilbert.

Caer Galen, Barony of. Heraldic title Ray de Soleil Pursuivant.

Catherine Beaujeu. Device. Per bend sinister azure and argent, on a cross fleury counterchanged a bezant.

Damiana al-Andalusiyya. Name. (see RETURNS for device).

Diana Doria. Name.

Elissent of Unser Hafen. Holding name and device. (see RETURNS for name) Vert, an oak tree eradicated, trunk winged, and in chief three mullets of four points argent.

Faelan mac Cain. Name.

Harold the Elder. Name and device. Or, a bend sinister cotised gules between a bear's head erased and a lymphad sable, flying pennants gules.

M{ae}rwynn of Holme. Name and device. Or, a triskelion of unstrung hunting horns conjoined at the mouthpieces between three roundels one and two gules.

M{ae}rwynn of Holme. Badge. Gules, a triskelion of unstrung hunting horns conjoined at the mouthpieces between three roundels one and two Or.

M{o'}r inghean Chathail. Device change. Or, in pale two tygers passant contourny queue-forchy purpure.

Phillipe de Gilbert. Blanket permission to conflict with device. Argent, a palm tree couped sable between in base two fleurs-de-lys, on a point pointed flory at the point gules, a fleur-de-lys argent. (letter grants blanket permission for anything one CD away)

Seuilla de Co'rdoba. Device. Per pale gules and sable, two owls respectant argent and a sun Or.

Thomas Eisenmann. Name and device. Per pale gules and sable, in chief a lion dormant argent and in base three mullets of seven points Or.

Tristan de Gilbert. Name. (see RETURNS for device)

Wilhelm Altmann. Device. Vert, in pale a crab Or and a sword bendwise ermine.

RETURNS:

Damiana al-Andalusiyya. Device. Gules, a Latin cross clechy and a bordure rayonny Or.

Elissent of Silverleaf. Name.

Tristan de Gilbert. Device. Argent, a palm tree couped sable and two vols, on a point pointed fleury gules a vol argent.

More information is available by contacting me or at the Laurel letter archive: http://www.sca.org/heraldry/loar/

I remain yours in glad service and duty,
Lady Sorcha MacLeod

Earl Marshal's Office - Kingdom Earl Marshall

Greetings Outlanders,

The sun shines brightly throughout the Outlands! I pray all enjoyed Estrella War and had more than enough opportunity to earn glory and renown! Warm months are ahead and the tourney season is upon us. Greet these days with open arms and revel in the glories to be won.

I had the honor to serve these last three Estrella Wars as your Earl Marshal. I have enjoyed keeping the fighting moving forward and safe for all. The new authorization process has been adopted well throughout the Kingdom and I believe we have made the field a bit safer because of this process. I wish to thank many of you who supported me through my time as Earl Marshal and through the new process and helped make my service in this role a very positive endeavor.

I have decided to step down from as Earl Marshal, effective at Spring Coronation. I welcome any persons interested in taking on this role to send a letter of interest and resume to myself, Mistress Leah (Kingdom Seneschal), and the Crown. Letters are welcome via email. Please have these letters in by March 31, 2005.

Enjoy the coming months and the wonderful events that await.

As always, be safe.

Sir Lavan Longwalker

Earl Marshal's Office - Rapier Marshall

From the Rapier Marshal, Greetings.

I hope this finds everyone safely returned and rested after Estrella, and looking forward to the tournament season; starting
at the end of this month with A Sworded Affaire, and then a busy weekend at the start of April.

On the subject of Estrella, I'd ask that anyone with opinions on the War (scenarios, organization or anything else) please
drop me a note and let me know. I'd like to hear good and bad, and definitely suggestions for improvements. I'd also like to thank Don Tristan and Schola Metallorum for all the help they gave – Don Tristan serving as our General and running the Outlands Rapier Tourney.

Don Charles Robert Blackstone

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The Plays of the Sword in Two Hands with or without a Weapon

April 2 & 3, 2005
Colorado State University, Ft. Collins Colorado
$80 for RMHCG members, $90 for non members
Class size is limited to 30 people

From the 15th Century Italian Fighting Manual "The Flower of Battle"
Presented by the Rocky Mountain Historical Combat Guild
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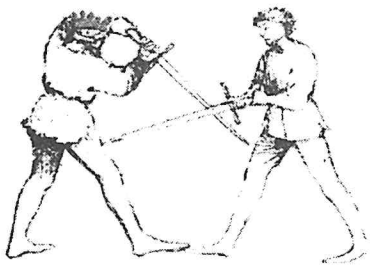

This class will focus on the lessons regarding the use of the sword in two hands and will examine how those lessons in swordsmanship are also lessons in unarmed combat.

For further information please visit the seminar website
http://lamar.colostate.edu/~kenelson/RMHCGseminars
Or contact
Keith Nelson
kenelson@colostate.edu
(970) 581-9408

The Kingdom of the Middle is happy to announce:

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Hosted by the Barony of Illiton (Henry, Illinois)
September 30, October 1 and October 2, 2005

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